IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A glass having comprising at least one type of alkali metal ion, an alkali-metal-ion concentration gradient from its surface over an exchange depth of at least 100 μ m, a surface stress of at least 200 MPa and a strain point in the core of at least 550°C.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The glass of claim 1 as claimed in the preceding elaim, characterized in that it has wherein the glass comprises an interdiffusion coefficient, at 400°C, of the alkali metal ions exchanged, of at most 9 x 10⁻¹⁷ m².s⁻¹.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The glass of claim 2 as claimed in one of the preceding claims, characterized in that wherein the ratio of the interdiffusion coefficient, at 490°C, of the exchanged alkali metal ions, to the interdiffusion coefficient, at 400°C, of the exchanged alkali metal ions, is at least 20:1.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The glass of claim 1 as claimed in one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the wherein the glass comprises an interdiffusion coefficient, at 490°C, of the exchanged alkali metal ions, [[is]] of less than 2 x 10⁻¹⁵ m².s⁻¹.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The glass of claim 1 as claimed in one of the preceding claims, characterized in that wherein the strain point in the core is at least 570°C.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The glass of claim 1 as claimed in one of the preceding claims, characterized in that wherein the at least one type of alkali metal ion is

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selected from the group consisting of the exchange ions are chosen from Na⁺, Li⁺, K⁺ and combinations thereof.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The glass of claim 1 as claimed in one of the preceding claims, characterized in that wherein the exchange depth of alkali metal ion exchange is at most 300 µm.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The glass of claim 1 as claimed in one of the preceding claims, characterized in that it wherein the glass meets the EN 60335-2-6 standard.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): A pane comprising the glass of one of the preceding elaims The glass of claim 1, in the form of a pane.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): The pane of claim 9 as claimed in the preceding elaim, characterized in that its wherein the thickness of the pane ranges from 2 to 7 mm.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): The pane of claim 9 as claimed in the preceding claim, characterized in that its wherein the thickness of the pane ranges from 2.8 to 5 mm.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): A door comprising the glass pane of claim 9 or the pane of one of the preceding claims.

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): The door of claim 12 as claimed in the preceding elaim, comprising hinges directly incorporated into said the pane.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): The door of claim 12 as claimed in one of the preceding door claims, characterized in that wherein the border of the pane is protected by a seal.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): A cooker or fire screen or flue insert, comprising the glass of claim 1 or the pane or the door of one of the preceding claims.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): An oven comprising a door the door of claim 12 of one of the preceding door claims.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): The oven of claim 16 as claimed in the preceding elaim, characterized in that it is of the wherein the oven is a pyrolytic oven type.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): A stove comprising [[a]] the door of claim 12 one of the preceding door claims.

Claim 19 (Currently Amended): A method of separating The use of a pane as claimed in one of the preceding pane claims for separating two gaseous atmospheres at different temperatures, the first being at a temperature ranging from 300 to 530°C and the second being at a temperature at least 50°C below the first, comprising separating the two gaseous atmospheres with the pane of claim 9.

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Claim 20 (Currently Amended): The <u>method of claim 19</u> use as claimed in the preceding claim, characterized in that <u>wherein</u> the second gaseous atmosphere is at a temperature at least 100°C below the first.

Claim 21 (Currently Amended): The <u>method of claim 20</u> use as claimed in the <u>preceding claim</u>, characterized in that <u>wherein</u> the second atmosphere is at room temperature.